

Sessions	Stump	Velazquez
Shadegg	Stupak	Visclosky
Shaw	Sweeney	Vitter
Sherwood	Talent	Walden
Shimkus	Tancredo	Walsh
Shows	Tanner	Watkins
Shuster	Tauzin	Watt (NC)
Simpson	Taylor (MS)	Watts (OK)
Sisisky	Taylor (NC)	Weldon (FL)
Skeen	Terry	Weller
Skelton	Thomas	Whitfield
Smith (MI)	Thompson (CA)	Wicker
Smith (TX)	Thornberry	Wilson
Snyder	Thune	Wise
Souder	Thurman	Wolf
Spence	Tiahrt	Wu
Spratt	Traffant	Young (AK)
Stenholm	Turner	Young (FL)
Strickland	Udall (NM)	

NOES—153

Abercrombie	Hoefel	Olver
Ackerman	Holden	Owens
Andrews	Holt	Pallone
Baldwin	Inslee	Pascrell
Barrett (WI)	Jackson (IL)	Pastor
Becerra	Jefferson	Paul
Berkley	Jones (OH)	Payne
Berman	Kanjorski	Pelosi
Bilbray	Kaptur	Porter
Blagojevich	Kelly	Portman
Bonior	Kennedy	Ramstad
Borski	Kildee	Rangel
Brady (PA)	Klecicka	Regula
Brown (FL)	Kolbe	Rivers
Brown (OH)	Kucinich	Roukema
Capps	LaFalce	Roybal-Allard
Capuano	Lantos	Rush
Cardin	Largent	Sabo
Carson	Larson	Sanders
Castle	Lazio	Sanford
Clay	Lee	Sawyer
Clyburn	Lewis (GA)	Saxton
Coburn	LoBiondo	Schakowsky
Conyers	Lofgren	Scott
Coyne	Lowey	Serrano
Crane	Luther	Shays
Crowley	Maloney (CT)	Sherman
Cummings	Maloney (NY)	Slaughter
Davis (IL)	Markey	Smith (NJ)
DeGette	Matsui	Smith (WA)
Delahunt	McCarthy (MO)	Stabenow
DeLauro	McCarthy (NY)	Stark
Deutsch	McDermott	Stearns
Dixon	McGovern	Sununu
Doggett	McKinney	Tauscher
Ehlers	McNulty	Thompson (MS)
Engel	Meehan	Tierney
Eshoo	Meek (FL)	Toomey
Evans	Meeks (NY)	Towns
Farr	Menendez	Udall (CO)
Fattah	Millender	Upton
Filner	McDonald	Vento
Forbes	Miller (FL)	Wamp
Frank (MA)	Miller, George	Waters
Franks (NJ)	Minge	Waxman
Frelinghuysen	Mink	Weiner
Gedensson	Moakley	Wexler
Gephardt	Moran (VA)	Weygand
Gilman	Nadler	Woolsey
Gonzalez	Neal	Wynn
Hastings (FL)	Oberstar	
Hinchey	Obey	

NOT VOTING—6

Bereuter	Kilpatrick	Scarborough
Hulshof	Ryan (WI)	Weldon (PA)

□ 1627

Mr. VISCLOSKEY changed his vote from "no" to "aye."

So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 560, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have noted "yes."

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members

may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks on H.R. 2389, the bill just passed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Virginia?

There was no objection.

AUTHORIZING THE CLERK TO MAKE CORRECTIONS IN ENGROSSMENT OF H.R. 2389, COUNTY SCHOOLS FUNDING REVITALIZATION ACT OF 1999

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that in the engrossment of the bill (H.R. 2389) the Clerk be authorized to correct section numbers, punctuation, citations and cross references and to make such other technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the actions of the House in amending the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Virginia?

There was no objection.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 1832

Mr. MEEKS of New York. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to have my name removed as a cosponsor of H.R. 1832, the Muhammad Ali Boxing Reform Act.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

There was no objection.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS TO SUSPEND THE RULES

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 353 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 353

Resolved, That it shall be in order at any time on or before the legislative day of Wednesday, November 10, 1999, for the Speaker to entertain motions to suspend the rules, provided that the object of any such motion is announced from the floor at least two hours before the motion is offered. In scheduling the consideration of legislation under this authority, the Speaker or his designee shall consult with the Minority Leader or his designee.

□ 1630

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE). The gentleman from California (Mr. DREIER) is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, for the purposes of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to my very good and hard-working late-at-night friend, the gentleman from South Boston, Massachusetts (Mr. MOAKLEY). Pending that, I yield myself such time as I may consume. All time I will be yielding will be for debate purposes only.

(Mr. DREIER asked and was given permission to revise and extend his re-

marks, and include extraneous material.)

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, House Resolution 353 will provide for the consideration of motions to suspend the rules at any time up to and including the legislative day of Wednesday, November 10. In addition, this resolution requires that the Speaker or his designee consult with the minority leader or his designee on the designation of any matter for consideration under suspension of the rules. Finally, this resolution provides that the object of any motion to suspend the rules be announced, based on a brilliantly crafted amendment from the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. MOAKLEY) for at least 2 hours prior to its consideration.

Under clause 1 of rule XV of the rules of the House, the Speaker may only entertain motions to suspend the rules on Mondays, Tuesday, and the last 6 days of the session. Since the House has not yet passed an adjournment resolution, the last 6 days of this session have not been determined, although we still hope they will be the last 6 days that begin before too terribly long. Therefore, Mr. Speaker, it is necessary for us to pass this resolution in order to allow the House to consider suspensions on days other than those designated as suspension days under the rules of the House.

Mr. Speaker, as we near the end of the first session of this Congress, it is imperative we allow ourselves the utmost flexibility in scheduling and considering the remaining matters before us. While we have produced such success in this session, most notably reforming education, providing for our national defense and protecting Social Security, there still are a number of items that do need to be considered. This resolution will allow us to expeditiously consider the noncontroversial and narrowly tailored, yet important matters, that remain unresolved.

Every year around this time we consider a resolution such as this in order to officially dispose of the remaining bipartisan matters before us.

Therefore, Mr. Speaker, in pursuit of that, I urge adoption of this resolution and thank the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. MOAKLEY) for helping us in this quest.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I thank my colleague and my very dear friend, the illustrious gentleman from California (Chairman DREIER), for yielding me the customary 30 minutes.

Mr. Speaker, by bringing up this rule making every day a suspension day, one might be led to believe my Republican colleagues have seen the light at the end of the tunnel; but from what I can tell, we still have a lot to do before Congress finishes the work for the year.

I hope the people negotiating the omnibus appropriations bill will be able to

come to an agreement by Veterans' Day, but, Mr. Speaker, I have my reservations. Omnibus bills are traditionally very big and very complicated, and there is no reason to think this year's will be any different.

I want to thank my chairman and my Republican colleagues on the Committee on Rules for graciously allowing us an extra hour's notice on these suspension bills. Although my chairman was personally opposed to it, he supported our request nonetheless, and I appreciate this very much.

But as a Member of the minority, I have to object to this rule making every day a suspension day. Suspensions, by their very nature, bypass House rules, including the rules that protect the minority. Far too many bills this Congress has bypassed the committee process. Both the D.C. appropriations bill coming up next and the foreign operations appropriations bill that is probably coming up tomorrow have completely skipped the committee process; and the Labor, Health and Human Services bill was never considered in such a way that Members could actually amend it. So I fear this rule will make it even easier for my Republican colleagues to continue to run rough-shod over the rules of the House, and particularly the rules that protect the minority.

Therefore, I urge my colleagues to oppose this rule.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume to simply say my good friend from Sugarland, Texas, has just informed me that the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. MOAKLEY) referred to some omnibus bill that is out there, and none of us on this side are aware of that at all. I do not know that we are going to be considering anything like that. We are not planning to consider anything like that at all.

The second thing I would like to say is that I was very happy to encourage all of the majority Members to support the Moakley amendment upstairs last night when we considered this, and I only assumed that having done that that my friend would enthusiastically join us in helping move these suspension measures, as is always the case at the end of the year.

I would also add that on both the D.C. and the Labor, Health and Human Services bills, we did see full committee action on both of those, and there are clearly, on the D.C. bill modifications that have been made, but we know the chairman of that Subcommittee on the District of Columbia spent a lot of time on the D.C. bill, and on the Labor-HHS bill, the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. PORTER) did. So we are doing what is very much the norm for trying to move legislation towards the end of the session. So I think there should be very strong bipartisan support of this measure.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time, and I move the previous question on the resolution.

The previous question was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the resolution.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 222, nays 200, answered “present” 1, not voting 10, as follows:

[Roll No. 561]

YEAS—222

Aderholt	Foley	McCrery
Archer	Fossella	McHugh
Armey	Fowler	McInnis
Bachus	Franks (NJ)	McIntosh
Baker	Frelinghuysen	McKeon
Ballenger	Gallegly	McNulty
Barr	Ganske	Metcalfe
Barrett (NE)	Gekas	Mica
Bartlett	Gibbons	Miller (FL)
Barton	Gilchrest	Miller, Gary
Bass	Gillmor	Moran (KS)
Bateman	Gilman	Morella
Biggert	Goodlatte	Myrick
Bilbray	Goodling	Nethercutt
Bilirakis	Goss	Ney
Bliley	Graham	Northup
Blunt	Granger	Norwood
Boehlert	Green (WI)	Nox
Boehner	Greenwood	Ose
Bonilla	Gutknecht	Oxley
Bono	Hall (TX)	Packard
Brady (TX)	Hansen	Paul
Bryant	Hastings (WA)	Pease
Burr	Hayes	Peterson (PA)
Burton	Hayworth	Petri
Buyer	Hefley	Pickering
Callahan	Herger	Pitts
Calvert	Hill (MT)	Pombo
Camp	Hilleary	Porter
Campbell	Hobson	Portman
Canady	Hoekstra	Pryce (OH)
Cannon	Horn	Quinn
Castle	Hostettler	Radanovich
Chabot	Houghton	Ramstad
Chambliss	Hunter	Regula
Chenoweth-Hage	Hutchinson	Reynolds
Coble	Hyde	Riley
Coburn	Isakson	Rogan
Collins	Istook	Rogers
Combest	Jenkins	Rohrabacher
Cook	Johnson (CT)	Ros-Lehtinen
Cooksey	Johnson, Sam	Rothman
Cox	Jones (NC)	Roukema
Crane	Kasich	Royce
Cubin	Kelly	Ryan (WI)
Cunningham	King (NY)	Ryun (KS)
Davis (VA)	Kingston	Salmon
Deal	Knollenberg	Sanford
DeLay	Kolbe	Saxton
DeMint	Kuykendall	Schaffer
Diaz-Balart	LaHood	Sensenbrenner
Dooley	Largent	Sessions
Doolittle	Latham	Shadegg
Dreier	LaTourette	Shaw
Duncan	Lazio	Shays
Ehlers	Leach	Sherman
Ehrlich	Lewis (CA)	Sherwood
Emerson	Lewis (KY)	Shimkus
English	Linder	Shuster
Eshoo	LoBiondo	Simpson
Everett	Lucas (OK)	Skeen
Ewing	Manzullo	Smith (MI)
Fletcher	McCollum	Smith (NJ)

Smith (TX)
Souder
Spence
Stearns
Stump
Sununu
Sweeney
Talent
Tancredo
Tauzin
Taylor (NC)

Terry
Thomas
Thornberry
Thune
Tiahrt
Toomey
Traficant
Upton
Vitter
Walden
Walsh

Wamp
Watkins
Watts (OK)
Weldon (FL)
Weller
Whitfield
Wicker
Wilson
Wolf
Young (AK)
Young (FL)

NAYS—200

Abercrombie	Gordon	Napolitano
Allen	Green (TX)	Neal
Andrews	Gutierrez	Oberstar
Baird	Hall (OH)	Obey
Baldacci	Hastings (FL)	Olver
Baldwin	Hill (IN)	Ortiz
Barcia	Hilliard	Owens
Barrett (WI)	Hinchey	Pallone
Becerra	Hinojosa	Pascrell
Bentsen	Hoefel	Pastor
Berkley	Holden	Payne
Berman	Holt	Pelosi
Berry	Hooley	Peterson (MN)
Bishop	Hoyer	Phelps
Blagojevich	Inslee	Pickett
Blumenauer	Jackson (IL)	Pomeroy
Bonior	Jackson-Lee	Price (NC)
Borski	(TX)	Rangel
Boswell	Jefferson	Reyes
Boucher	John	Rivers
Boyd	Johnson, E. B.	Rodriguez
Brady (PA)	Jones (OH)	Roemer
Brown (FL)	Kanjorski	Roibal-Allard
Brown (OH)	Kaptur	Rush
Capps	Kennedy	Sabo
Capuano	Kildee	Sanchez
Cardin	Kind (WI)	Sanders
Carson	Kleczka	Sandlin
Clay	Klink	Sawyer
Clayton	Kucinich	Schakowsky
Clement	LaFalce	Serrano
Clyburn	Lampson	Shows
Condit	Lantos	Sisisky
Conyers	Larson	Skelton
Costello	Lee	Slaughter
Coyne	Levin	Smith (WA)
Cramer	Lewis (GA)	Snyder
Crowley	Lipinski	Spratt
Cummings	Lofgren	Stabenow
Danner	Lowey	Stark
Davis (FL)	Lucas (KY)	Stenholm
Davis (IL)	Luther	Strickland
DeFazio	Maloney (CT)	Stupak
DeGette	Maloney (NY)	Tanner
Delahunt	Markey	Tauscher
DeLauro	Martinez	Taylor (MS)
Deutch	Mascara	Thompson (CA)
Dickey	Matsui	Thompson (MS)
Dicks	McCarthy (MO)	Thurman
Dingell	McCarthy (NY)	Tierney
Dixon	McDermott	Towns
Doggett	McGovern	Turner
Doyle	McIntyre	Udall (CO)
Edwards	McKinney	Udall (NM)
Engel	Meenan	Velazquez
Etheridge	Meek (FL)	Vento
Evans	Meeks (NY)	Visclosky
Fattah	Menendez	Waters
Filner	Miller, George	Watt (NC)
Forbes	Minge	Waxman
Ford	Mink	Weiner
Frank (MA)	Moakley	Wexler
Frost	Mollohan	Weygand
Gejdenson	Moore	Wise
Gephardt	Moran (VA)	Woolsey
Gonzalez	Murtha	Wu
Goode	Nadler	Wynn

ANSWERED “PRESENT”—1

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NOT VOTING—10

Ackerman	Kilpatrick	Scarborough
Bereuter	Millender-	Scott
Dunn	McDonald	Weldon (PA)
Hulshof	Rahall	

□ 1659

Mr. FATTAH and Mr. LEVIN changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

So the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated against:

Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 561, I was detained by constituents and was unable to make it in time for this vote. Had I been present, I would have voted "no."

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 3194, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2000

Mr. LINDER. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 354 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 354

Resolved, That upon the adoption of this resolution it shall be in order without intervention of any point of order to consider in the House the bill (H.R. 3194) making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes. The bill shall be considered as read for amendment. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations; and (2) one motion to recommit.

□ 1700

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE). The gentleman from Georgia (Mr. LINDER) is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. LINDER. Mr. Speaker, for the purposes of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the gentleman from Texas (Mr. FROST), pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume. During consideration of this resolution, all time yielded is for the purpose of debate only.

Mr. Speaker, House Resolution 354 is a closed rule providing for the consideration of H.R. 3194, the D.C. appropriations bill for fiscal year 2000.

The rule provides for one hour of general debate divided equally between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. Additionally, the rule waives all points of order against the bill.

House Resolution 354 also provides for one motion to recommit, with or without instructions, as is the right of the minority members of the House.

Mr. Speaker, House Resolution 354 is a closed rule, recognizing the full and fair debate that the House had on similar legislation earlier in this Congress. This rule will assist the House to move forward in the appropriations process.

H.R. 3194 continues to fund the District of Columbia at \$75 million over the President's request and makes no changes to funding levels from the previous D.C. appropriations bill. With this bill, we continue to provide \$17 million for scholarships to low-income D.C. residents, \$2.5 million to help im-

prove children's health centers, and \$5 million to provide incentives for the adoption of foster children.

The President's request did not include funding for any of these important programs.

With this legislation, charter schools will have access to construction funds, the schools will have the same opportunity to expand as other public schools, and parents will be able to send all of their children to the same charter school. H.R. 3194 enacts the \$59 million tax cut passed by the D.C. City Council, and it works with the Council to make vital changes in city management that will place Washington, D.C. on the road to financial recovery.

This bill also restores the original language for needle exchange initiatives, continuing our commitment to prohibit Federal support for these dubious and irresponsible programs. The Clinton administration's own Department of Health and Human Resources prohibits the use of Federal funds for needle exchanges, and we should maintain this consistent standard.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to have taken the necessary steps in this bill to bring this chapter of the appropriations process to a close. I applaud the gentleman from Oklahoma (Mr. ISTOOK) for his patience and his willingness to work through this difficult process, and I urge my colleagues to support this rule and the underlying legislation.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. FROST. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, in the immortal words of Yogi Berra, it is *deja vu* all over again. The first District of Columbia appropriations bill was loaded with Republican riders and it was vetoed. The second D.C. appropriations bill was loaded not just with riders but also with the Labor-HHS appropriation. It is yet to be vetoed but it certainly will be.

Before us today is D.C. Three, yet another attempt on the part of the Republican majority to move a Christmas tree to the White House even before the Thanksgiving turkey is on the table.

Mr. Speaker, pity the residents of this city. What have they done to the Republicans in this body to deserve this mistreatment? Why should their appropriation be loaded up with ornaments designed to make good Republican boys and girls happy? This bill is truly a turkey and the Republican majority ought to face the facts and start dealing straight with the people of this city, the Democratic Members of this body and the President of the United States.

Enough is enough, Mr. Speaker. Let us get on with legislating and stop all this tree trimming and turkey stuffing. Give the people of this city a break and send the President an appropriations bill he can sign. Give us all a real Christmas present so that we can finish our business and go home for the holidays.

I urge Members to vote against this bill so that we can send the residents of this city a real holiday treat, a bill he can sign.

Mr. Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentlewoman from the District of Columbia (Ms. NORTON).

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Texas (Mr. FROST) for yielding me this time.

Mr. Speaker, forgive me. Is the gentleman confused? I am. I feel like saying, where are we? Why are we here? Why is there another D.C. bill on the floor? How could there be another D.C. bill on the floor? One was just voted in the Senate yesterday.

I did not realize that this body loved D.C. so much that it wanted to keep voting D.C. bills. One is on its way to the President's desk. Remember last Thursday we just voted for a D.C. bill. It was called the Labor-HHS-D.C. bill. That must be a new agency.

We passed the D.C. bill they wanted. That one is about to be vetoed. Let me try to get this straight. One veto is not enough? They want two vetoes? Do they want them simultaneously or do they want them sequentially?

The last bill, we were told, was the one the majority wanted. That is why they put Labor-HHS on the D.C. bill. All of them voted for that in conference. Now they are back again with another D.C. bill. What could be the reason for a stand-alone bill? What we are seeing is the majority manipulating the smallest, most defenseless appropriation. They do not want yet another D.C. bill before the last D.C. bill is vetoed. They want another vehicle for the majority. The District is no longer a city. It is a vehicle. They want to send this vehicle over to the Senate in order to tie on yet some more bills to send to the White House to be vetoed.

What kind of way is that to treat a city of half a million people whose own money and virtually alone their own money is in this bill?

Free up the D.C. bill. Three D.C. bills are enough. Let D.C. go.

Mr. FROST. Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. MORAN).

Mr. MORAN of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, the problem with this rule is that it does not allow us to make a tiny, minuscule little change, but as little a change as it would be it would have profound consequences. We simply want to make it clear that a private, nonprofit organization in the District of Columbia can receive private funds and do with those private funds whatever they choose to do. In other words, treat that organization like we do every other private nonprofit organization.

All we are asking for is that this bill be given what the full, entire House Committee on Appropriations approved; give us the bill that the full House of Representatives on this floor approved; give us the bill that the full Senate Committee on Appropriations,